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National Democratic Ticket.

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Hon. Wm. A. Jones was unanimously renominated for Congress, at Tappahannock, last Tuesday. He had no opposition—his record as a faithful public servant forbade it. The delegates to the convention were sent there only to ratify the wishes of the people of the district, as expressed in every county convention throughout the district.

The Republicans declare that they will carry Virginia this Fall by the assistance of the Third party and Gen. Field, the vice-presidential candidate on that ticket, makes a similar assertion. In the face of these declarations, no one who is opposed to republicanism, can surely hesitate as to the duty required of him at this time.

The State election in Alabama, last Monday, resulted in an overwhelming victory for the Democratic party. The majority of Governor Jones, the regular Democratic nominee, was over 50,000, the Alliance men, with few exceptions, voting for him and thereby defeating the rule or ruin gang who were leaders of the so-called Third party. This was the first gun fired in the interest of Democracy in this campaign and as in Alabama, so in every Southern State, the Alliance will help to put under their feet the ally of republicanism, known as the Third party.

The following extracts from the letter of Hon. Charles F. Crisp, Speaker of the National House of Representatives, accepting the renomination recently tendered him by the Democratic Convention of his district, are given for the information of our readers. No Democrat can be too well informed as to the villainies and inequities of the provisions of the free bill given below, and many Republicans need only light on the question to be convinced of their duty.

I cannot, within the proper scope of such a letter as this, enumerate all its remarkable provisions. It gives to the judge of the United States Circuit Court the power of appointing election officers in the States. It gives to the election officers the power to appoint deputy marshals, who may be employed a number of days prior to each election, and to receive and hold the same more might be appointed in each congressional district in Georgia.

It authorizes the use of the armies of the United States to preserve the peace at the polls. It gives to the judges of the United States Courts the power of appointing a canvassing or returning board for each State, who shall certify whom the people have elected to Congress.

It requires the Clerk of the House of Representatives to place on the roll of members elect the names of the persons holding such certificates, so that they may participate as members in the organization of the House. It authorizes officers of the United States to supervise and control the registration of voters.

It provides for the payment of all of these officers out of the Federal treasury, and authorizes the employment of many of them for as much as eight days before an election. And finally it makes permanent appropriations of your money for the execution of the law.

This enumeration of the provisions of the bill, meagre though it is, must make it plain to all men that if it were enacted into law the people would lose all voice in the selection or control of the officers who manage and certify the result of their elections.

A judge of the Circuit Court of the United States, who is himself appointed by the President and holds his office for life, appoints the election officers. All these judges save two are Republicans in politics. If election officers are to be appointed by the President, they are not responsible to the people. The source of their power and authority is the judge who appointed them. If a Republican judge, to advance the interests of his party, appoints his friends, should not—should not—this will become a law—be responsible to the people. Our constitution intended that he should be, and, to that end, lodged in the people's representatives in Congress the power of impeachment; but this law removes that responsibility by permitting the appointee of the judge to determine who is your duly elected representative. If a partisan judge appoints partisan election officers who falsify certification that he whom you have defeated at the polls is your duly elected representative, then I do to the honesty, the integrity and the ability of our judiciary; and yet the fact remains that on the electoral commission of 1876 judges of the Supreme Court of the United States, the highest judicial officers on earth, divided in opinion on election returns on party lines, and the result was the inauguration of Mr. Hayes as President, when you and I and a large majority of the people of the country then believed, and now believe, that Mr. Tilden had been duly elected to that great office.

Popular government could not long survive the establishment of a system which permitted the use of the army at the polls, and at the same time, removed from responsibility to the people the officers who manage and control their elections.

Virginia Railroads.

Mr. C. Lee Moore, secretary of the board of public works, has completed his report for 1892 of the assessed value of railroads and canals in the State. From this report the following facts and figures are taken: Miles of roadway assessed, 2,386.50. Value of roadway, \$36,036,167; value of depots, \$1,862,341.42; value of real estate, \$1,498,388.48; value of rolling stock, \$10,168,730.00; value of telegraph lines, \$15,955.70; value of stocks and bonds of other companies, &c., \$555,781.89; value of stocks and bonds owned and held by trustees, \$46,650; miscellaneous property, \$19,300. Total, \$50,714,275.05.

The value of rolling stock shows an increase of \$4,579,671.18 over the value placed therefor in 1891, and the roadway stock shows an increase in value of \$2,917,970 over 1891. There is a decrease in the value of stocks and bonds of \$3,360,737.30, due to the fact that last year the Richmond and West Point Terminal Railway and Warehouse Company reported under this head \$3,962,791.33, whereas this year it reports only \$293,138.55, because a large bulk has been disposed of and the rest have deteriorated in value.

The board this year assessed 215,081 miles of new road as follows: Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, Crany Valley Branch, 36 miles; Hot Springs Branch, 25 miles; Louisville and Nashville Railroad, 65.73 miles; Norfolk and Western Railroad Company, Clinch Valley Division, 40-100 miles; and Roanoke and Southern Division, 75-50 miles.

The State will receive \$307,434.28 taxes, an increase over last year's taxes from this source of \$14,317.04. The bulk of these taxes are paid by the following roads: Chesapeake and Ohio Railway and lines operated, \$24,483.92; Norfolk and Western Railroad and lines operated, \$7,495.28; Richmond and Danville Railroad and lines operated, \$4,052.88. Total, \$35,932.08.

The street car companies show an increase in mileage of 24.17 miles, and an increase of \$264,905 in the value of property. The total amount received from them will be \$3,089.80, an increase of \$1,201.47 over 1891.—Richmond Dispatch.

Virginia News.

Twenty-five of the most prominent Farmer's Alliance men in Halifax county have withdrawn from the Third party and returned to the party to which they formerly belonged.

The State Board of Dental Examiners will meet at the Rockbridge Alum Springs, Tuesday, August 30th, at 9 a. m., for the examination of candidates to practice dentistry in Virginia.

Mrs. John Paul, of Harrisonburg, has compiled a list of Virginia authors and their works from colonial times down to the present day. It is intended to secure copies of the works of all the writers, as far as possible, for the World's Fair.

Judge George A. Lybrook, one of the "big four" of readjuster times, met with a serious accident at Bedford a few days ago. As he was about to step from a Norfolk and Western car it gave a sudden lurch and he, being old and feeble, lost his balance and fell. His hip was crushed and dislocated and there was an intense rupture of the ligaments around the bone from the hip to the knee.

Chairman Basil Gordon has it is believed, displayed great judgment in the selection of the members of his executive committee. It is composed as follows: First district, W. A. Jones, Warsaw, Richmond county; second district, M. G. Glendon, Norfolk; third district, J. Taylor, Ellyson, Richmond; fourth district, W. R. McKenny, Petersburg; fifth district, A. J. Montague, Lynchburg; sixth district, P. S. Martin, Scottsville; seventh district, T. S. Martin, Scottsville; eighth district, Henry Fairfax, Loudoun; ninth district, Henry C. Stuart, Saltville; tenth district, Gen. T. M. Logan, Buckingham county.

GENERAL NEWS.

The House has passed a bill changing the date of dedication of World's Fair building from 12th to 21st of October.

A fire in the business part of Cambridge, Md., on Saturday, destroyed fifteen houses, including a bank, two hotels, two newspaper offices, business houses and dwellings, the estimated loss being \$45,000, insured for \$35,000.

The Maryland World's Fair Commissioners are considering a novel design for their exhibit at Chicago. Fifteen of the twenty-three counties border on Chesapeake Bay, and it is proposed to fit up a room in the State building to represent the bottom of the bay with specimens of its fish, fowl and shell products, from the most minute to the largest. The illumination will be by electric lights in the eyes of the fishes.

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